



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
(Case No. 97,008-W)

In re Application of: )  
COPELAND, et. al )  
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For: Automated Biological )  
Reaction Apparatus )

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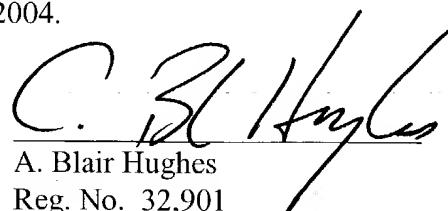
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